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December 2, 1977

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Admiral Stansfield Turner
Director, Central Intelligence Agency
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Admiral Turner:

I was delighted to hear that you can come to Ohio State in April. Of the two dates that you mentioned, April 13th would be the better, because we can reserve the best auditorium on campus for that evening (it is reserved for class use on April 12th). I have already gone ahead and reserved the hall for that date. We would like to have you come to a late lunch April 13th, meet with selected students and faculty in a small seminar in the afternoon, and attend a small cocktail party and dinner in your honor at the Faculty Club before your public speech. I fully understand in view of your busy schedule and important responsibilities that you may not be available for the afternoon of April 13th and may be able only to make a quick fly in and fly out in the evening. However, if you can spare the time, an afternoon and evening would have a wider impact on the policy making administrators, academics and best students of this university. I will be happy to make whatever arrangements are convenient for you and will be happy to serve as a liaison with your staff.

You may be interested to hear that Dr. Allan Millett and I are in the process of establishing a "Military History and Strategic Studies Program" within the Department of History. Ohio State, with the Mershon Center and its military historians on campus, is presently offering a selection of courses similar to those offered by the Department of War Studies, King's College, but unless we have the visibility of a "program" we cannot attract the students who would be interested in such an approach. I have felt since my early days in graduate school that the study of strategy through the medium of military history is absolutely essential--an approach in which neither the American academic nor military communities have shown much interest (at least until your re-

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forms at the Naval War College). I think that through such a program we will be able to attract not only students interested in studying for a doctorate, but many who are interested in studying for an M.A. to broaden their background before entering government service. We may even eventually be able to interest Defense and Intelligence agencies to send some of their middle level personnel to Ohio State to gain a military-historical perspective on current strategic problems. Your visit may well set the seal on the establishment of this program.

Once again, I am delighted to hear you can come to Ohio State. I look forward to seeing you again in April!

Best,

Williamson Murray

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